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SUBJECT: MALI-UPPER VOLTA BORDER DISPUTE

REF :

RELATIONS BETWEEN MALI AND UPPER VOLTA MAY BE DETERIORATING BECAUSE OF ARMED CLASHES IN A BORDER AREA THAT HAS BEEN IN DISPUTE SINCE THE TWO COUNTRIES BECAME INDEPENDENT IN 1960. THE CLASHES AND THE UPPER VOLTA GOVERNMENT'S DECISION ON TUESDAY TO PLACE ITS ARMY AND GENDARMERIE ON ALERT FOR A POSSIBLE MOVE TO THE DISPUTED AREA INDICATE THAT TALKS BETWEEN MALIAN PRESIDENT TRAORE AND UPPER VOLTAN PRESIDENT LAMIZANA EARLIER THIS MONTH FAILED AGAIN TO SOLVE THE PROBLEM.

THE CLASHES PROBABLY RESULTED FROM OVER ZEALOUS TROOPS  
STATIONED ON EACH SIDE OF THE BORDER. BOTH PRESIDENTS CONTINUE

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RELEASING OFFICER: [redacted] COORDINATING OFFICERS: [redacted]  
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